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INVENTION: **"OPERATING UNIT WITH USER ACCOUNTS FOR AN  
ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHIC PRINTING SYSTEM OR  
COPYING SYSTEM"**

**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, Applicants respectfully request that a citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

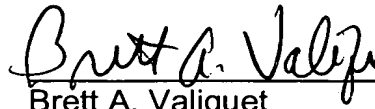
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**EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE**

References AL, AM, AN, and AO are cited for the reasons noted in the German Patent Office Action of June 23, 2003, a copy of which is enclosed.

Copies of the above-cited references are enclosed for the Examiner's review.

Respectfully submitted,

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